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COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION
Office of Supply
425 Wilson Building
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First Part 5 Minutes
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No. 24

1. MUSIC: UP AND UNDER

ANNOUNCER:	Radio station presentsFOOD FRONT HEADLINESa	
	behind-the-scene story on how our food moves from farms to	
	battle linesfrom ships to Allied supply depotsfrom	
	grocery shelves to civilian tablesand here with the lates	st
	dope on our wartime food supply is, War Food	đ,
	Administration's district representative, What's the paper	
	and pencil for,? Figuring where you're going to	
	get a T-Bone?	

- 3. DIST. REP: Might be, \_\_\_\_. Can't ever tell.
- 4. ANNOUNCER: If you have any luck, let me know.
- 5. DIST. REP: Sure will. Might let other people in on it, too.
- 6. ANNOUNCER: Oh-h-h. So it's no secret then.
- 7. DIST. REP: No, it's no secret. In fact, the paper's been full of it lately. What people are wanting to know is, How does it operate? When does it begin? And that sort of thing.
- 8. ANNOUNCER: OK, when does it begin?
- 9. DIST. REP: I understand everything's set up now and ready to go. 'Course a lot depends on when cattle are finished and ready for market.
- 10. ANNOUNCER: I get it. You're leading up to the cattle feeder subsidy program which is expected to increase beef production and get more meat on civilian tables...More T-Bones maybe.

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- 11. DIST. REP: Exactly. It was announced by War Mobilizer Fred M. Vinson about the middle of May.
- 12. ANNOUNCER: And under the program, subsidy payment will be made direct to cattle feeders.
- 13. DIST. REP: Yes, it's the first subsidy on meat production made directly to feeders. And should encourage them to feed more cattle to heavier weights. Then, too, the way the program operates it'll send more meats to federally inspected meat plants.
- 14. ANNOUNCER: Which means more meats will start moving through regular trade channels and on to civilian tables. Let's get on with actual operations. Who gets the subsidy and so forth.
- 15. DIST. REP: The payment is 50 cents a hundred, live weight, on Good and Choice cattle weighing 800 pounds or more.
- 16. ANMOUNCER: And the feeder gets this payment direct?
- 17. DIST. REP: He does if he's owned the cattle at least 30 days prior to the date they're sold...sells to a legally authorized slaughterer, at not less than the minimum stabilization price for his zone.
- 18. ANNOUNCER: This minimum price is \$14.25 per hundred, Chicago, but varies by zones throughout the country.
- 19. DIST. REP: That's right. And the feeder must get this price to be eligible for the payment. That's one of the requirements.
- 20. ANNOUNCER: You mentioned authorized slaughterers. I take this to mean someone operating under federal inspection.

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- 21. DIST. REP: That, or a permit or license issued by OPA. Either one's OK.
- 22. ANNOUNCER: Now about the payments. Let's go into that.
- 23. DIST. REP: All right. They'll be made through county Triple-A committees, the same as dairy production payments are.

  Before any payments will be made, however, certain written evidence must be presented by feeders.
- 24. ANNOUNCER: Such as when and where the cattle were sold...the name of the buyer they were sold to...what authorized slaughterer they'll be delivered to...number of head...total liveweight... and how much they brought.
- 25. DIST. REP: That's right. All of this will be needed. It can be certified by sales receipts, invoices, scale tickets or other written evidence from the buyer. In addition, if the feeder didn't raise the cattle himself he must show when he bought them, and the name of the person he bought them from. He also may be required to show evidence the subsidy hasn't been made previously on the same cattle. 'Course, if he raised the stuff himself, this latter certification won't be necessary.
- 26. ANNOUNCER: When all of the evidence is brought up-to-date, then it's filed in the county Triple-A office.
- 27. DIST. REP: Yes, in the county where the feeder's ranch, or his farm, or feedlot is located.

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- 28. ANNOUNCER: I see. Suppose all this evidence is turned in and meets all necessary requirements. Where do we go from there?
- 29. DIST. REP: A sight draft will be issued on the account of the Commodity

  Credit Corporation...the same as dairy production payments

  are...and that's about all there is to it, generally speaking.
- 30. ANNOUNCER: Except for getting the cash. The sight draft will be cashed by any bank, I suppose.
- 31. DIST. REP: Absolutely.
- 32. ANNOUNCER: Suppose I'm a feeder-slaughterer. That is, I buy from someone else, finish them and then do my own slaughtering.

  Where do I come in? Or do I?
- 33. DIST. REP: A feeder-slaughterer is eligible for subsidy payments, the same as a regular feeder.
- 34. ANNOUNCER: Provided proper evidence is presented.
- 35. DIST. REP: Yes. Provided no subsidy has already been made on the cattle.

  Provided, too, he's owned them 30 days or more...that they weighed at least 800 pounds...and dressed out A or Double-A.

  He also must state who he bought them from...the price he paid...and the weight at the time of purchase.
- 36. AFMOUNCER: I see. And this evidence is also presented to the county
  Triple-A office.

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37. DIST. REP: Yes. He may collect payment also on cattle he raises himself which meet the feeder-slaughterer requirements at the time of slaughter. Here's a point I was about to forget. This program went into operation May 19. Subsidy payments hold good for cattle sold on or since that date, provided, of course, requirements have been met.

Cattle must weigh 800 pounds or more at the time of sale...

They must have been owned for at least 30 days...They must be sold to a legally authorized slaughterer...They must grade Good or Choice or the carcass grade A or Double-A...

They must bring not less than the minimum price for these grades by local zones. Thanks, \_\_\_\_\_\_, for being with us today. Listen next \_\_\_\_\_\_ to FOOD FRONT HEADLINES...

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39. DIST. REP: Yes, and then he's in line for his subsidy. He may collect payment also on cattle he raised himself which meet the feeder-slaughterer requirements at the time they're slaughtered.

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- 40. ANNOUNCER: When we first started out awhile ago, \_\_\_\_\_, you said the program got underway about the middle of May. Suppose I've sold some cattle since then?
- 41. DIST. REP: In that case, you'd be eligible for the payment. Provided, of course, you meet the specifications we've been talking about.
- 42. ANNOUNCER: Well, yes, I understood that. From what date in May though?
- 43. DIST. REP: On or since the nineteenth, as long as authorized funds for payments are available.
- 44. ANNOUNCER: The money's already appropriated, isn't it?
- 45. DIST. REP: Yes, 40-million dollars.
- 46. ANNOUNCER: Now, another thing. You keep talking about cattle weighing 800 pounds. Do all cattle have to come within this weight range?
- 47. DIST. REP: No, they don't. Just so the average weight of a drove and average price paid are OK. Cattle of similar weight and grade should be weighed and priced separately though.
- 48. ANNOUNCER: Well, yes. I know some people, \_\_\_\_\_, who sell by the head and not necessarily by weight. What about them?
- 149. DIST. REP: They'll get the payment, provided the cattle are weighed later and the total price received is divided by the total weight....
- 50. ANNOUNCER: In that case, the minimum price and weight must check out and the length of ownership requirements met.

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- 51. DIST. REP: That's right.
- 52. ANNOUNCER: As I see the program, there are about five points of eligibility which must be met.
- 53. DIST. REP: Generally speaking, that's correct. First thing, cattle must weigh 800 pounds or more at the time they're sold.
- 54. ANNOUNCER: Next, they must have been owned by the seller at least 30 days before they're sold.
- 55. DIST. REP: They must be sold to an authorized slaughterer...Someone operating under federal inspection or under a permit or license issued by the Office of Price Administration.
- 56. ANNOUNCER: Cattle must grade out Good or Choice, or the carcass grade out A or Double-A.
- 57. DIST. REP: And last but not least, the cattle must bring not less than the minimum price for these grades in the zone of sale.
- 58. ANNOUNCER: Suppose, \_\_\_\_\_, something comes up a cattle feeder wants to know a little more about. Where can he get this information?
- 59. DIST. REP: From his Triple-A office. They're the folks handling the written evidence and issuing the sight drafts...so

  I'd say they're the ones to see.
- 60. ANNOUNCER: If the program works out as it's expected to, we ought to see some change in our meat supply sometime soon, don't you think?

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- 61. DIST. REP: That's one of the main reasons the program was set up.

  As far as the over-all meat supply is concerned, there

  probably won't be any increase for at least the next

  three months, but distribution ought to work out a

  little better.
- 62. ANNOUNCER: That's because more meat will be channeled into federally inspected plants which can ship supplies across state lines.
- 63. DIST. REP: That's right. As more meat goes into federally inspected plants, more meat will start moving from one part of the country to another. This should improve the whole pattern of distribution for civilians.
- 64. ANNOUNCER: Maybe we will get that T-Bone you were figuring on awhile ago.
- 65. DIST. REP: Might do it. Distribution has been a big problem all the time. As far as total beef slaughter is concerned, so far this year more cattle have been slaughtered than for the same period last year.
- 66. ANNOUNCER: But even greater beef production is needed.
- 67. DIST. REP: Yes it is. It's needed to help offset present heavy demands for meats and also the drop in hog slaughter during the past marketing year.

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68. ANNOUNCER:

And this is what the feeder subsidy program is set up to do...encourage farmers to feed more cattle to heavier weights...and to improve distribution of beef by directing more cattle to legally authorized slaughterers who deliver through regular trade channels. Thanks,

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